

**ALEXANDRIA TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**Special Meeting**  
**MINUTES**  
**February 27, 2020**

This meeting was advertised in the Hunterdon Democrat notice posted in the Alexandria Township Municipal Offices and the Alexandria Township Website ([www.alexandrianj.gov](http://www.alexandrianj.gov)) as required by the Open Public Meetings Act.

**Meeting Called to order at 6:00 PM.**

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Plumer, Committeeman Pfefferle, Committeeman Kiernan

**ABSENT:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Communication and Testing of PFAs

Presentation by the NJ Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP)

Representatives from the NJ DEP were present and discussed the background, current status, and further actions that they have and will be doing moving forward.

Background:

Elevated levels of perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA), perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) were detected in 2019 during routine water sampling at Del Val Regional HS. The PFNA detected is well above the New Jersey Drinking Water Standard which is 13 parts per trillion. The PFNA, PFOA, and PFOS belong to a group of compounds known as per—and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). These contaminants are becoming an emerging concern to the NJDEP. PFAS are found in many industrial and commercial products such as non-stick cookware, waterproof/stainproof coatings, firefighting foams, and leak proof coatings on food packing materials. PFAS can enter drinking water by being released to water, air, soil, as well as contaminated sludge used in land applications and discharges from sewer treatment plants. The NJDEP does not know why PFAS are being found in this area.

Current Status:

For the NJDEP to determine how many wells in the area are contaminated the NJDEP has a program called the Site Remediation and Waste Management Program. Testing of homeowner wells along Senator Stout Road, Indian Creek Road, and Grist Mill Road for PFAS in December of 2019. Of eight wells tested so far, two wells tested for PFNA, PFOA and/or PFOS that exceeded the New Jersey Drinking Water Standard. The homeowners of these two properties have been supplied bottled water for drinking and cooking along with a Point of Entry Treatment (POET) systems to be installed to remove the PFAS from the water.

Future Actions:

The NJDEP would like to test 11 additional wells to determine the extent of the contamination. Residents of these residential wells have been notified and have been asked for their participation in a follow-up round of sampling for March of 2020. If residents have any questions or concerns, they can contact Greg Broslawski, Community Relations Coordinator from the NJDEP's Office of Community Relations at 609-633-3790.

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

NJ DEP Representatives opened the floor and answered questions from residents in attendance.

The public forum ended at 6:48 PM.

**Respectfully Submitted:**

**Michele Bobrowski, CMC/RMC**

**Township Clerk**

I hereby certify that I have reviewed these Minutes of the Township Committee Meeting of February 27, 2020 and certify that said Minutes were approved by the Township Committee on the 11th day of March 2020.

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Gabe Plumer, Mayor